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EAGLE NEWSLETS

Happenings of the World Tersely Told

Washington

Assertions that the railroads were turned to their owners after the period of government control in a "broken down" condition were denied by Walker D. Hines in a statement at Washington.

Senator Simmons (Dem.) of North Carolina announced in the senate at Washington, that he would offer the five-way soldiers' bonus bill as an amendment to the foreign debt funding bill now pending in the senate.

Soldiers' bonus would mean \$850,000,000 additional taxation in the next two years, according to Secretary of the Treasury Mellon at Washington. He terms plan to finance bonus from the sale of refunded war obligations futile.

It is announced at Washington that Tuesday, January 31, is the last day on which wild ducks and geese, coots, gallinules and Wilson snipe or jacksnipe may be hunted anywhere in the United States under the federal law.

Twelve ships, carrying a total of 3,000,000 bushels of grain, have actually been sent to Russia for the relief of her starving populace. It was announced by Secretary of Commerce Hoover at Washington, eighteen other vessels are now loading at Atlantic and Gulf ports, and will carry another 3,000,000 bushels as fast as they can be filled and cleared.

A bill to concentrate all available liquor in the United States into 25 bonded warehouses was favorably reported to the house at Washington by the ways and means committee.

The Supreme court of the United States at Washington announced a recess from Monday, January 30, to February 27.

President Harding, opening the agricultural conference at Washington, proposed organization along basic lines of industry and commerce, with machinery of finance for furnishing operating capital. The St. Lawrence waterway was endorsed as a project most stimulating to the industrial life of the nation's interior.

General Pershing set an unique precedent at Washington by refusing the award of a distinguished service cross. His reason was that the citation was not sufficiently meritorious.

The treasury appropriation bill, the first of the annual appropriation measures, was passed by the senate at Washington, carrying \$120,272,000, as compared with \$118,806,000 authorized by the house.

Sam Beaman of Ironton, O., has been appointed federal prohibition director for the state of New Mexico. It was announced at the prohibition bureau at Washington.

Domestic

The Republican national committee still owes \$708,161.32 for the campaign of 1920, which resulted in the election of President Warren G. Harding, according to figures made public at Chicago by Fred W. Upham, financial treasurer.

What those present said was the first conference between members of the northern and southern branches of the Baptist church since the Civil war, opened here at Columbia, Mo., Tuesday.

Lieut. John Parsons, aviator at the Maywood flying field, near Chicago, fell 8,000 feet in his plane and lived to tell the tale.

Carried out into the ice-coated waters of Lake Superior when a severe gale sprang up, Alfred Peterson, a fisherman of Knife River, Minn., reached Port Wing, Wis., after his wife had perished in the boat.

Three bandits entered a room in a hotel at Kansas City, Mo., and held up several men who were engaged in a card game. Christ Stathes, thirty-eight, resisted and was shot dead. The robbers escaped with \$500.

Nineteen finger rings, \$11 in cash and \$100,000 in bonds constituted the entire amount of valuables taken in the registered mail theft at Elkhart, Ind. The \$100,000 in bonds was returned four hours after the robbery.

A reduction of 25 cents a ton in the price of egg, stove and chestnut coal and 10 cents on pea coal, effective for the remainder of the month, was announced at Hazleton, Pa.

More than a hundred families were driven from their homes at Chattanooga, Tenn., by the Tennessee river flood waters.

Fire starting in the furnace room of the Gladstone theater at Gladstone, Mich., destroyed the building with a loss of \$18,000.

Lawrence Dwyer, international board member from District No. 29, United Mine Workers of America, was arrested at Beckley, W. Va., on a charge from Logan county, charging treason.

William Berman, eighteen, of Brooklyn, N. Y., shot his mother and was drawing a revolver on his sick father when he was disarmed by a patrolman, according to Policeman Merman.

Indiana university's one hundred and second anniversary was celebrated at Bloomington, Ind., by faculty and students with a parade and a program of addresses and music. Prof. Henry W. Ballantine spoke.

The scale committee of the anthracite mine workers recommended to the convention at Shamokin, Pa., that it ask a 20 per cent increase in wages. If no raise is granted mining will be suspended.

Robert Hooker, alleged safe robber, was killed in a pistol battle with the police at Chicago, during which a number of shots were fired. Hooker fell with three bullet wounds in his body.

Resolutions asking congress to fix the price of wheat at \$2 a bushel and advocating co-ordination of existing farm movements and co-operation between farmers' organizations were adopted at Fargo, N. D.

An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in the Federal court at New York against J. D. Sugarman & Co., members of the consolidated stock exchange and specialists in various curbs.

James A. Stillman, who is suing for divorce, gave up a duck-hunting trip in Cumberland sound, North Carolina, to return to New York and prove he had not sailed for Europe.

Personal

John Kenrick Bangs, the author, died in Atlantic City hospital at Atlantic City, N. J., following a second operation for an intestinal disorder. Mrs. Bangs and the author's three sons were with him.

T. J. Phillips, eighty-one years old, four times mayor of Ottumwa, Democratic candidate for governor in 1904, and veteran coal operator, died at his home at Ottumwa, Ia., after a long illness.

Sporting

Everett McGowan, St. Paul professional, won a series of three skating races from Norval Baptie, Barrogate, N. D., at St. Paul, Minn.

Foreign

Karelian troops in their fight against the soviet armies have reconquered the town of Kinasjervi, says a dispatch from Helsingfors.

Arthur Nikisch, noted orchestral conductor, died at Leipzig of influenza. He was formerly conductor of the Boston Symphony orchestra.

Delegates from Japan, China, Korea, Mongolia and the Far Eastern republic of Siberia are at Moscow for the congress of oppressed Far Eastern peoples, which opened there. India and the Islamic countries are not represented.

It is declared at Athens that it has finally been made clear to King Constantine that normal relations between Greece and other powers cannot be fully restored until he retires in favor of his son.

Pope Benedict's death occurred at six o'clock Sunday morning at Rome. The attending physicians, Cardinal Gasparri and other members of the pope's household were present at the bedside.

Advices from Moscow report that the White or anti-Bolshevik forces have captured Blagovieshtensk, Asiatic Russia.

Typhus is spreading in Moscow, according to the Novyput, official Bolshevik government organ at Riga, Latvia.

Pope Benedict left his property at Pigi, in Liguria, to his nephew, Marquese Giuseppe della Chiesa, says a dispatch from Rome.

United States destroyer Fox arrived at Novorossiysk, Russian Black sea port, with a party of American relief administration workers aboard.

Vatican officials at Rome were surprised when the strong box containing the personal fortune of Pope Benedict XV was opened. It was found to contain only 700,000 lire (normally \$135,000).

The prince of Wales was given a tremendous welcome upon his arrival at Mysore, India, by throngs of inhabitants, augmented by thousands who swarmed in from surrounding areas.

Viscount Bryce died suddenly at Sidmouth, near London. He was born May 10, 1838, and was ambassador to Washington from 1907 to 1913.

Elsa Anderson, the only Swedish woman to hold an aviator's certificate, was killed at Askersund.

News Brevities of Illinois

Springfield.—Illinois' 1922 regular election calendar follows: April 4—For municipal offices in cities in counties under township organization (not commission plan), and for township offices and offices in cities containing one or more townships and in villages whose boundaries coincide with the boundaries of a township. April 15—School elections. April 18—For offices of cities and villages organized under the general law (except where the territorial limits coincide with the territorial limits of a township) or which contain one or more townships. June 5—For six judges of the Superior court of Cook county. November 6—For state treasurer, congress, general assembly (senators in odd-numbered districts), three trustees of the University of Illinois, superintendent of public instruction, clerk of the Criminal court of Cook county, county probate judges and clerks, county treasurers, sheriffs and county superintendents of schools. Primaries in 1922 fall on these dates: February 28—To nominate candidates to be voted for April 4. March 14—Municipal primaries for April 18 election. April 11—Regular primaries for nomination of candidates to be voted for in November 6 election.

Chicago.—John H. Walker was re-elected president of the Illinois State Federation of Labor, according to the returns from the referendum vote in December. The other officers elected are: Victor A. Olander, secretary and treasurer; Robert Fitchie, Chicago, first vice president; Nan McInerney, Chicago, second vice president; Michael J. Whelan, East St. Louis, third vice president; Thomas Kelly, Streator, fourth vice president; Joseph W. Morton, Chicago, fifth vice president; Al Towers, Belleville, sixth vice president; Emil Reinhold, Decatur, seventh vice president; James B. Connors, Chicago, eighth vice president, and Waldo Cross, Peoria, ninth vice president.

Springfield.—Illinois farmers planted three per cent more acreage in wheat in the fall of 1921 compared with the revised wheat acreage of 1920, according to S. D. Fessenden, federal agricultural statistician for Illinois. The total acreage of wheat planted in the state last fall was 2,775,000, while in the year previous, 2,694,000 acres were planted in wheat, an increase approximately three per cent. The condition of the crop generally in the state was estimated at 94 per cent on December 1, last.

Springfield.—Although Illinois averaged a fire every forty-three minutes in 1921, the \$18,350,550 loss shows a decrease of \$1,824,872 under the 1920 loss, according to the state fire marshal. The 12,265 fires in the state last year were 1,911 fewer than in 1920. The decreases for 1921 are the first since the war. The Armour elevator explosion in Chicago is included in the totals for last year, although the bulk of the damage was due to explosion and not to fire.

Urbana.—A telegraphic meet between the freshmen track teams of the University of Illinois and the University of Wisconsin will be held Saturday afternoon, February 18, the date of the Iowa indoor meet at Iowa City. Each team will run the respective events in its own armory or gymnasium, and the results will be telegraphed to the other institution for comparison of times.

Belleville.—A temporary injunction restraining members of all unions in East St. Louis from interfering in any way with the business or molesting employees of the East St. Louis plants of Swift & Company and Armour & Company was issued in the Circuit court at Belleville. The order is returnable at the April term of court. Union packing employees have been on strike six weeks.

Springfield.—Work on the state's new \$150,000 building at Jacksonville to care for World war veterans now at state hospitals for the insane is expected to start soon, following the selection of a site. Appropriations aggregating \$300,000 were made by the last general assembly for buildings and equipment to provide for 300 World war veterans receiving treatment at state institutions.

Springfield.—Arrangement of Gov. Len Small at Waukegan has been postponed one week, according to an announcement by State's Attorney C. F. Mortimer of Sangamon county. The delay was suggested by the chief of counsel for the defense, owing to the fact that Vernon S. Curtis, Governor Small's co-defendant, had been quarantined because of diphtheria in his family.

Urbana.—Tests to determine the best method of oiling roads, and the economic value of such roads after oiling will be started soon by the University of Illinois.

Peoria.—A squad of state police will start a campaign in this city against violators of the state motor laws beginning February 1.

Springfield.—The mean temperature and absolute minimum for 1921 in Illinois were much higher than in any previous year and the snowfall was the least on record, according to the annual summary of weather conditions prepared by Clarence J. Root, meteorologist in charge of the Illinois section.

Aurora.—The area of the city of Aurora will be increased by seven and one-half square miles if the proposed plan to annex territory to the south and east of the present corporation limits is sanctioned by the voters.

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